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This document is the first annual report for Award Number DAMD17-00-2-0005, Cultural Resources Support. Work was conducted under two task orders. Task Order 2000-01 is with Robins Air Force Base (RAFB), GA. Entitled "Curation Preparation and Curation of the Archaeological Collection, Robins Air Force Base, GA", this order covers the retrieval, cataloging, rehabilitation, and curation of all existing archaeological collections and the analysis, cataloging, labeling, and packing of collections from current projects. The existing collections have been retrieved and are awaiting processing. Task Order 2000-02 is for "Providing Archaeological Assistance to the U S. Army Aviation and Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama". Under this agreement, we provide a cultural resource officer for the Arsenal.

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Introduction

This annual report for Award Number DAM17-00-2-0005 will encompass two Task Orders issued in the covered period. Task Order 2000-01 is with Robins Air Force Base, GA (RAFB) and is entitled "Curation Preparation and Curation of the Archaeological Collection, Robins Air Force Base, GA". There are, in turn, two separate budget items under this order. The first item is "Rehabilitation, Accessioning, and Curation of Existing Materials". This item includes retrieval of all existing archaeological collections, cataloging the collection where catalogs do not exist, providing photographic coverage of designated specimens, labeling and packaging the collection using approved archival methods, transferring the collection into the Erskine Ramsay Archaeological Repository, and providing ongoing maintenance of the collection. The second item is "Analysis, Accessioning, and Curation of New Collections". This involves a similar effort, other than these collections are from ongoing cultural resource project and are located at RAFB. All preparatory work is to be conducted on the base. Task Order 2000-02 is for "Providing Archaeological Assistance to the U S. Army Aviation and Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama". This task order is for provision of a full time, on site, Cultural Resource Manager for the Arsenal over a five year period. The task order was funded for one year, with negotiated amount for years 2-5 included, subject to availability of funds. Task Orders 1 and 2 will be described individually in the following sections.

Body

Task Order 2000-01: Minimal work has been accomplished on this task order due to a misunderstanding of completion dates. We received the signed agreement on July 10, 2000 and noted that the order stated that all funds must be transferred by September 30, 2000. We inquired if this was a date by which all work had to be completed and if so, was this in error, as we could not possibly do the work in so short a time, and this was not consistent with our understanding of the project schedule. We retrieved the existing collections covered by budget item 1, organized the materials in a basic fashion, and placed them in temporary storage in the laboratory. No further work was conducted, however, until clarification of the ending date was obtained. The clarification was not received until after the period covered by this annual report, but did indicate that this date was an internal matter and was not relevant to our work schedule.

The materials retrieved from RFAB include: Pave Paws Survey (2 cu ft), Warner Robins Phase II (10 cu ft), Warner Robins 1994 (1 cu ft), New Land 100 Phase I (1 cu ft), Warner Robins Pipeline Phase I (0.5 cu ft), envelopes of specimens from archive cabinet (ca. 0.5 cu ft), 4 pamphlet boxes containing records, reports, and specimens from small projects, and 5 reports in 3-ring binders.

Task Order 2000-02: This task order was received on July 20, 2000. Year 1 on the agreement runs from Sept. 3, 2000 to Sept. 2, 2001. Beverly S. Curry has been on site at Redstone Arsenal under this agreement, beginning on the scheduled date.

Key Research Accomplishments

Task Order 2000-01: N/A

Task Order 2000-02: N/A

Reportable Outcomes

Task Order 2000-01: None.

Task Order 2000-02: None.

Conclusions

Task Order 2000-01: No research is to be completed under this task order. Insufficient work has been undertaken as of Nov. 30 to offer any comment on methodology, etc.

Task Order 2000-02: No research is to be completed under this task order. We note, however, that our agreement for Cultural Resources Support has provided a mechanism by which Redstone Arsenal, Alabama has secured a full time, on-site cultural resources specialist. This can serve as a model to provide similar staff for other units of DOD.

References

None.

Appendices

None.